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December 15, 2005

Mr. Jeff S. Jordan
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General Counsel's Office
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20463

Re: WUR 5690
Friends of John Perzel

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COMMISSION
OFFICE OF GENERAL
COUNSEL
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Dear Mr. Jordan:

We are in receipt of your letter dated December 6, 2005 and the Complaint In The Matter of Jim Gerlach for Congress Committee.

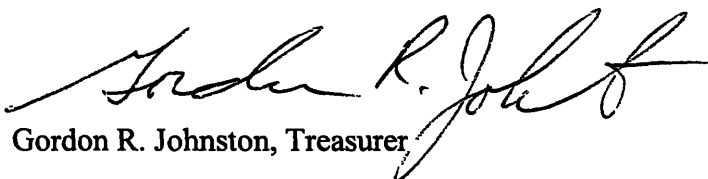
Section VII of the Complaint states that the Friends of John Perzel made a contribution to the Gerlach Committee in the amount of \$4,000 in excess of the Federal limit of \$2,100, thus violating Federal Election Laws.

Our Response

1. This is the first and only notification we received regarding this matter.
2. The Friends of John Perzel (the Friends) did make the \$4,000 contribution to the Gerlach Committee on July 21, 2005 at a fundraiser featuring Mrs. Laura Bush (copy of invitation is attached) where the Friends sent two representatives for the Photo OP Reception at \$2,000 per person.
3. The Friends is and has been a Pennsylvania PAC for more than 20 years, and does not normally contribute to Federal candidates.

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5. At the time the contribution was made, we were not aware that the Friends may have made an excessive contribution, in violation of Federal Election Laws, since the instructions at the bottom of the invitation stated "PAC's may contribute \$5,000 for Primary and \$5,000 for General," (see copy of invitation) and we were not informed of such violation by the Gerlach Committee.
6. In no way did we intend to or knowingly violate the Federal Election Laws.
7. We will properly inform ourselves of the Federal Election Laws governing Federal Candidates and PACs and ensure you that no future violations will occur.


Gordon R. Johnston, Treasurer

Paid for by The Jim Gerlach for Congress Committee